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U.S. Embassy Welcomes Results of Kachin Peace Talks

Yangon - The U.S. Embassy welcomes the progress made in talks between the Union Government and Kachin Independence Organization/Army on October 8-10. The resulting seven-point agreement establishing a joint monitoring committee, pilot project for return and resettlement of IDPs in Kachin State, and continuation of technical team talks offers a hopeful and constructive path forward. We encourage both sides to build upon the momentum gained during these discussions to work toward a sustainable peace.

The United States supports dialogue as the best and only way to address the root causes of longstanding conflict and to ultimately achieve lasting peace, justice, reconciliation, and equitable development throughout the country. The United States will continue to monitor the political and humanitarian situation in Kachin State closely, and to urge all parties to respect the rights of IDPs and ensure their regular access to humanitarian assistance.

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